AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims

Claims 1 through 24 (canceled)

25. (previously amended) A tool for receipt in a drill chuck, said tool comprising an elongate drive shaft having an implement receiving socket at one end thereof and a drive end for engaging a drill chuck at an opposite end, said tool further including an implement receiving collar about an intermediate portion of said drive shaft which allows rotation of said drive shaft without rotation of said implement receiving collar, said implement receiving collar having at least 3 implement carriers with each carrier at least pivotally mounted to said collar about a pivot axis offset and perpendicular to said elongate drive shaft for movement between a storage position to an in use position which aligns an implement received in said implement carrier with said implement receiving socket of said drive shaft for receipt therein, each implement receiving carrier in said storage position locating an implement received therein to one side of said drive shaft and each implement receiving carrier in said in use position allowing rotation of an implement received therein and in engagement with said drive shaft socket to rotate with said drive shaft without rotation of said implement receiving carrier, said tool further including a spring biased latch associated with said implement receiving socket for releasably retaining an implement in said drive socket; said spring biased latch including a coil spring having a segment thereof displaceable into and out of said implement receiving socket to form a releasable latch with a retaining groove of an implement received in a drive position within said drive socket; and ~~A tool as claimed in claim 24~~

wherein said spring biased latch is a two position latch, said two position latch having a first position retaining an implement received in said drive socket in a drive position and a second position where an implement is held in said drive socket in a manner to allow hand withdrawal of said implement from said drive socket.

26.(original) A tool as claimed in claim 24 wherein said segment of said coil spring is an end segment which extends radially inwardly of the diameter of said coil spring.

27.(original) A tool as claimed in claim 26 wherein said end segment is received in an angled groove of said drive socket and is biased to a retaining position extending into said drive socket and is displaceable to a release position by movement along said angled groove to a position releasing a implement received in said drive socket.

28.(original) A tool as claimed in claim 26 wherein said end segment is an inwardly bent section which is received in a slot of said drive shaft and serves to retain said spring biased latch captured on said drive shaft.

29.(new) A tool for receipt in a drill chuck, said tool comprising an elongate drive shaft having an implement receiving socket at one end thereof and a drive end for engaging a drill chuck at an opposite end, said tool further including an implement receiving collar about an intermediate portion of said drive shaft which allows rotation of said drive shaft without rotation of said implement receiving collar, said implement receiving collar having at least 3 implement carriers with each carrier having an L shape configuration defined by a base arm and an implement receiving arm at one end of said base arm, said base arm at an end thereof opposite said implement receiving arm having a pivot and slide securement to said collar; each pivot and slide securement including a pivot axis of said carrier offset and perpendicular to said elongate drive shaft; said collar including a series of elongate slot recesses extending parallel to said drive shaft with each elongate slot recess partially receiving the base arm of the respective carrier; said pivot axis of each carrier being slidable along the respective slot recess of the collar and movable along the slot recess between a storage position of said carrier at one end of said slot recess and a spaced in use position towards an end of said slot recess slot opposite said one end of said slot recess; each carrier when moved from said storage position to said in use position pivoting about said pivot axis and sliding along said slot recess to align an implement received in said carrier with said implement receiving socket of said drive shaft with said aligned implement being received in said drive socket by sliding movement of said pivot axis of said carrier in said slot recess to said in use position; each implement receiving carrier in said storage position locating an implement received therein to one side of said drive shaft and each implement receiving carrier in said in use position allowing rotation of an implement received therein and in engagement with said drive shaft socket to rotate with said drive shaft without rotation of said implement receiving carrier.

30.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein each elongate slot of said collar receives the length of said base arm when the respective carrier is in said storage position and the pivot axis of each carrier includes a pivot shaft captured in the respective slot recess and movable in the length of the respective slot recess.

31.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein each elongate slot is of a length greater than a length of said base arm of the respective carrier and each carrier at an end of said base arm opposite said pivot axis includes a latch member for releasably holding said carrier in said storage position.

32.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 31 wherein the pivot shaft of each carrier is received in an elongate port of said base arm and includes a spring member biasing said pivot shaft towards the end of said base arm opposite said implement receiving arm.

33.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein each implement receiving recess includes a spring latch that releasably receives an implement and allows hand removal of said implement from said carrier.

34.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 33 wherein each implement when received in a carrier includes a recessed groove intermediate the length of the implement and positioned to one side of said base arm with said recessed groove being engageable with a locking spring associated with said receiving socket of said drive shaft; said locking spring when said implement is received in said implement receiving socket releasably retains the implement in said implement receiving socket.

35.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 34 wherein said implement receiving collar includes an outer hand grip periphery to be gripped by a user to control the position of said drive shaft during rotation thereof.

36.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 including a plurality of implements each of which is receivable in any of said implement receiving carriers.

37.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein each implement includes a spring loaded cam means and stop face for releasable securement of said implement any of said implement receiving carriers.

38. (new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein each implement is releasably received in any of said implement receiving carriers without tools by slide displacement of the implement relative to the respective implement receiving carrier.

39. (new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein said implement receiving arm in said in use position of said implement receiving carrier extends partially across an end of said collar and aligns said implement receiving port with said implement receiving socket of said drive shaft.

40. (new) A tool as claimed in claim 39 wherein said implement receiving arm of each implement receiving carrier in said storage position thereof positions said implement receiving arm outwardly of and generally perpendicular to a side of said implement receiving collar and immediately adjacent thereto.

41. (currently amended) A tool as claimed in claim 29 wherein said implement receiving collar includes a releasable latch longitudinally slidable on said elongate drive shaft between an implement retaining position and an implement release position, said releasable latch including an associated spring bias member urging said releasable latch to said implement retaining position.

42. (new) A tool as claimed in claim 41 wherein said spring bias member is partially received in a side port of said drive shaft to partially protrude into said implement receiving socket and to rotate with said drive shaft, said releasable latch cooperating with said implement receiving socket to retain said spring bias member partially protruding into said implement receiving socket

when said implement receiving collar is in said implement retaining position.

43.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 42 wherein each implement includes a retaining groove at one end thereof for receiving said spring bias member to releasably lock the implement when received in said drive shaft socket.

44.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 43 wherein each implement inserted in said drive shaft socket cams said spring biased latch outwardly and locks said implement against withdrawal from said socket while said releasable latch is in said implement retaining position.

45.(new) A tool as claimed in claim 29 including a spring biased latch associated with said implement receiving socket for releasably retaining an implement in said drive socket; said spring biased latch including a coil spring having a segment thereof displaceable into and out of said implement receiving socket to form a releasable latch with a retaining groove of an implement received in a drive position within said drive socket.